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Sir:

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the Official Action dated May 6, 2002, Applicants elect to prosecute the invention of Group II. Claims 21-32 and 35, drawn to a casket lid. classified in class 27, subclass 14, without traverse.

Respectfully submitted,

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